UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK		
IN RE NOVARTIS AND PAR ANTITRUST	X : :	
LITIGATION,	:	ORDER REGULATING MOTIONS BEFORE TRIAL
	:	18 Civ. 4361 (AKH)
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ALVIN K. HELLERSTEIN, U.S.D.J.:

I respond to the parties' suggestions in their joint letter of September 3, 2021. I rule as follows:

- Plaintiff's suggestion of Daubert motions only with respect to class certification motions will
 create additional work and engage the court in resolving unnecessary disputes regarding the
 substance and consequences of experts' testimony and declarations. The suggestions of both
 parties favoring simultaneous Daubert and Class and Summary Judgment motions also are
 denied.
- 2. I favor the following sequence following the close of expert depositions on December 31, 2021:
 - a. Submission of any and all Daubert motions as to all expert's declarations and testimony. I would like these motions to be decided by the end of February. The parties shall propose filing dates consistent with that schedule.

b. Plaintiffs to file motions for certification of classes. I would like to have these

decided by the end of April, plus another week for regulating the terms of the

proposed notices.

c. Summary Judgment motions to be filed with three briefing dates: filing, oppositions

and replies. I would like to decide these by the end of July 2022.

d. Trial to begin November 7, 2022 with five weeks allotted. Final Pre-Trial

Conference to take place October 27, 2022 at 2:00 pm. Motions in limine will be

decided at or before the conference, with briefing to contemplate submissions of all

briefs one week before the conference.

3. If this schedule is practical, the parties shall submit consistent details for an order.

SO ORDERED.

Dated: September 9, 2021 /s/ Alvin K. Hellerstein

New York, New York ALVIN K. HELLERSTEIN

United States District Judge